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Re: Utility Patent Application for PREPARATION AND USE OF A NANOCOMPOSITE OF ELASTOMER AND EXFOLIATED CLAY PLATELETS FORMED IN SITU WITHIN AN ELASTOMER HOST AND ARTICLES OF MANUFACTURE, INCLUDING TIRES, HAVING AT LEAST ONE COMPONENT COMPRISED THEREOF
Serial No.: 10/037,539
Filed: December 21, 2001

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